add seven lakh telephone lines in Delhi and Bombay by the end of current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof with amount involved in it;

(c) whether Government have some plan for mobilisation of funds for the project;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to draw similar plan for some other important cities of country like Hyderabad etc; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) A target of providing 4 lakh new telephone connections has been fixed for Delhi and Bombay in the Annual Plan 1994-95 and an outlay of Rs. 986 crores has been earmarked for this purpose. Efforts are also being made to lease additional switching equipment for reducing the backlog of waiting list.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) The Plans are being financed through internal resources, market borrowing and leasing.

(e and (f) During 1994-95 Annual Plan 14 lakh telephones are planned to reduce the waiting list in the country including important towns like Hyderabad. However in the 94-95 Annual Plan 54000 lines of net switching capacity is planned for Hyderabad. Efforts are also being made to lease another 20000 lines of switching equipment to reduce the waiting list further.

Simplification of Telephone Shifting Rules

891. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any request to simplify rules regarding shifting of telephones;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether earlier shifting of telephone connections within same exchange was within powers of Exchange authorities without any involvement of Commercial authorities;

(d) if so the details thereof;

(e) whether Government propose to revive, the earlier procedure in the matter; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b). No, Sir. However Department has issued instructions permitting the shifts of telephones if their dates of registration have been covered in the exchange area where are resulted to be shifted or for telephones provided under OYT if they have worked for a period of atleast six months in the exchange area from where the are requested to be shifted.

In case of telephone connections provided under Tatkal category local shifting is permitted without any condition.

(c) to (f). Yes Sir. However, DEs incharge of exchange area are being reauthorised to execute the local shift within the same exchange area.

Setting up of Telecom Microwave Transmitters in Andhra Pradesh

892. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Telecom Microwave Transmitters have been set up at several places in Andhra Pradesh during the last three financial years;

(b) if so, the district-wise details thereof during each of the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether all these transmitters have same capacity;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to set up these transmitters in Andhra Pradesh during next three financial years;

(f) if so, names of districts selected for the purpose and if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) whether Government also propose to set up automatic telephone exchanges in all districts of Andhra Pradesh during next three financial years; and

(h) if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details as per Statement-I. (*See below*)

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Systems of different capacities are provided depending on the circuit requirements of the area.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) Details as per Statement-II. (*See below*).

(g) Automatic Telephone Exchanges have already been provided in all Districts of Andhra Pradesh.

(h) Details as per Statement-III.

Statement I

Year	District	No. of Transmitters	Capacity
1	2	3	4
1991-92	Kurnool	5	300/1920
	Anantapur	1	1920
	Nalgonda	1	300
	Khammam	1	300
	Hyderabad	2	480
	Rangareddy	2	480
1992-93	NIL		
1993-94	Hyderabad	4	480/1920
	Rangareddy	4	480/1920
	Mehaboobnagar	3	1920
	Anantapur	8	1920
	Nalgonda	3	1920
	Warangal	1	1920
	Khammam	1	1920

1	2	3	4
	Krishna	2	1920
	Guntur	1	1920
	Chittoor.	2	1920
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1991-92	Anantapur	2	60
	East Godavari	1	30
	Guntur	6	30/60
	Khammam	10	30/120
	Kurnool	8	30/60/120
	Mehaboobnagar	2	60
	Nalgonda	2	120
	Rangareddy	4	60
	West Godavari	1	30
1992-93	Adilabad	2	60
	Anantapur	4	30/120
	Cuddapah	4	60
	East Godavari.	2	30
	Guntur	2	120
	Hyderabad	3	60/120
	Khammam	3	30/120
	Kurnool	5	60
	Krishna	4	30/60
	Karimnagar	8	120
	Medak	2	120
	Mehaboobnagar	2	60
	Nalgonda	1	60
	Nellore	6	30/60
	Prakasam	2	60
	Rangareddy	8	30/60/120
	Srikakulam	2	60
	Warangal	8	120
	West Godavari	2	30
1993-94	NIL		

Statement-II

District	No. of MW Transmitters
Adilabad	6
Anantapur	2
Cuddapah	2
East Godavari	2
Guntur	6
Hyderabad	2
Karimnagar	4
Khammam	3
Kurnool	6
Krishna	4
Mehaboobnagar	4
Medak	1
Nellore	6
Nalgonda	2
Nizamabad	6
Prakasham	2
Rangareddy	3
Warangal	5
West Godavari	7
Visakhapatnam	5
Vijayanagaram	3
No. of UHF Transmitters	
Anantapur	5
Prakasam	2
Nalgonda	3

Statement-III

S. No.	Name of the District	No. of Automatic Telephone Exchange
1	2	3
1.	Adilabad	48
2.	Anantapur	128
3.	Chittoor	130
4.	Cuddapah	86
5.	East Godavari	106
6	Guntur	106
7	Hyderabad.	27
8	Karimnagar	109
9	Khammam	72
10	Krishna	18
11	Kurnool	117
12	Mehboobnagar	100
13	Medak	101
14	Nalgonda	75
15	Nellore	93
16	Nizamabad	73
17	Prakasam	84
18	Rangareddy	76
19	Srikakulam	45
20	Visakhapatnam	60
21	Vizianagaram	45
22	Warangal	75
23	West Godavari	138
	TOTAL	2012

Implementation of the Lal Committee Recommendations

893. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to take some steps to implement Lal Committee recommendations; and

(b) if so, the details there of and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The Government has already taken steps to implement the recommendations of the Expert Committee on Excellence in Postal Services chaired by Sh. S. B. Lal.